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Our Case No. 9281-4693  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
KIYOSHI SATO	)	
Serial No. 10/716,710	)	Examiner: Tianjie Chen
Filing Date: November 17, 2003	)	Group Art Unit No. 2656
For: THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD	)	
HAVING TOROIDALLY WOUND	)	
COIL	)	

**STATUS INQUIRY**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant filed the above-identified application on November 17, 2003, but has not yet received a first Office Action. Please advise the undersigned attorney as to when a first Office Action is expected to issue on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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